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Letter dated 19 March 2018 from the Permanent Representative of the Russian Federation to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to transmit herewith information bulletins from the Russian Federation Ministry of Defence regarding the status of implementation of the Memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas in the Syrian Arab Republic for the period 16–19 March 2018 (see annex).

I should be grateful if you would have the present letter and its annex circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(*Signed*) V. **Nebenzia**

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Annex to the letter dated 19 March 2018 from the Permanent Representative of the Russian Federation to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

Information bulletin from the Russian Federation Ministry of Defence regarding the status of implementation of the Memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas (16 March 2018)

Observance of the ceasefire regime

Monitoring groups have continued to monitor observance of the ceasefire regime as part of implementing the Memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas in the Syrian Arab Republic, signed by the Russian Federation, the Republic of Turkey and the Islamic Republic of Iran on 4 May 2017.

The situation in the de-escalation areas has been assessed as stable.

The Russian representative office of the Russian and Turkish Joint Commission reviewing issues related to violations of the ceasefire regime has reported nine incidents of gunfire in the following Governorates: six in Ladhiqiyah, two in Aleppo and one in Damascus.

The Turkish representative office has reported eight incidents of gunfire: six in Damascus Governorate and two in Idlib Governorate.

Most of the incidents of mortars and small arms being fired indiscriminately have been reported in areas controlled by fighters belonging to terrorist groups.

Provision of humanitarian aid to the population of the Syrian Arab Republic

Over the past 24 hours the Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic has carried out one humanitarian operation in Khirbat al-Hamam, Homs Governorate. Food with a total cargo weight of 1.9 tons was delivered to the local population.

In total, 1,774 humanitarian operations have been carried out.

The total weight of humanitarian cargo delivered is 2,493.7 tons.

The safe passage was assured of a United Nations humanitarian convoy, containing food and essential items with a total cargo weight of 137 tons, to Duma in Damascus Governorate.

Over the past 24 hours, medical assistance has been provided to 165 persons.

In total, medical assistance has been provided to 73,921 persons.

Reconciliation of opposing sides

No ceasefire agreements have been signed with populated areas over the past 24 hours.

The number of populated areas that have joined the reconciliation process is unchanged — it is still 2,435.

The number of armed groups that have announced their commitment to accepting and fulfilling the terms of the ceasefire is unchanged — it is still 234.

Information bulletin from the Russian Federation Ministry of Defence regarding the status of implementation of the Memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas (17 March 2018)

Observance of the ceasefire regime

Monitoring groups have continued to monitor observance of the ceasefire regime as part of implementing the Memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas in the Syrian Arab Republic, signed by the Russian Federation, the Republic of Turkey and the Islamic Republic of Iran on 4 May 2017.

The situation in the de-escalation areas has been assessed as stable.

The Russian representative office of the Russian and Turkish Joint Commission reviewing issues related to violations of the ceasefire regime has reported nine incidents of gunfire in the following Governorates: six in Ladhiqiyah, two in Aleppo and one in Damascus.

The Turkish representative office has reported five incidents of gunfire: three in Damascus Governorate and two in Dar'a Governorate.

Provision of humanitarian aid to the population of the Syrian Arab Republic

Over the past 24 hours the Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic has carried out one humanitarian operation in Tarfawi, Aleppo Governorate. Food with a total cargo weight of 1.9 tons was delivered to the local population.

In total, 1,775 humanitarian operations have been carried out.

The total weight of humanitarian cargo delivered is 2,495.6 tons.

Over the past 24 hours, medical assistance has been provided to 115 persons.

In total, medical assistance has been provided to 74,036 persons.

Reconciliation of opposing sides

Over the past 24 hours one ceasefire agreement has been signed with Rasm Amish in Aleppo Governorate.

The number of populated areas that have joined the reconciliation process has increased to 2,436.

The number of armed groups that have announced their commitment to accepting and fulfilling the terms of the ceasefire is unchanged — it is still 234.

Information bulletin from the Russian Federation Ministry of Defence regarding the status of implementation of the Memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas (18 March 2018)

Observance of the ceasefire regime

Monitoring groups have continued to monitor observance of the ceasefire regime as part of implementing the Memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas in the Syrian Arab Republic, signed by the Russian Federation, the Republic of Turkey and the Islamic Republic of Iran on 4 May 2017.

The situation in the de-escalation areas has been assessed as stable.

The Russian representative office of the Russian and Turkish Joint Commission reviewing issues related to violations of the ceasefire regime has reported 11 incidents of gunfire in the following Governorates: 5 in Damascus, 4 in Ladhiqiyah and 2 in Aleppo.

The Turkish representative office has reported nine incidents of gunfire in the following Governorates: seven in Damascus, one in Dar'a and one in Idlib.

Provision of humanitarian aid to the population of the Syrian Arab Republic

Over the past 24 hours the Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic has carried out two humanitarian operations: one in Ayn Ayshah, Qunaytirah Governorate; and one in Adra, Damascus Governorate. Food with a total cargo weight of 3 tons was delivered to the local population.

In total, 1,777 humanitarian operations have been carried out.

The total weight of humanitarian cargo delivered is 2,498.6 tons.

Over the past 24 hours, medical assistance has been provided to 196 persons.

In total, medical assistance has been provided to 74,232 persons.

Reconciliation of opposing sides

No ceasefire agreements have been signed with populated areas over the past 24 hours.

The number of populated areas that have joined the reconciliation process is unchanged — it is still 2,436.

The number of armed groups that have announced their commitment to accepting and fulfilling the terms of the ceasefire is unchanged — it is still 234.

Information bulletin from the Russian Federation Ministry of Defence regarding the status of implementation of the Memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas (19 March 2018)

Observance of the ceasefire regime

Monitoring groups have continued to monitor observance of the ceasefire regime as part of implementing the Memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas in the Syrian Arab Republic, signed by the Russian Federation, the Republic of Turkey and the Islamic Republic of Iran on 4 May 2017.

The situation in the de-escalation areas has been assessed as stable.

The Russian representative office of the Russian and Turkish Joint Commission reviewing issues related to violations of the ceasefire regime has reported seven incidents of gunfire: five in Ladhiqiyah Governorate and two in Aleppo Governorate.

The Turkish representative office has reported two incidents of gunfire: one in Dar'a Governorate and one in Idlib Governorate.

Most of the incidents of mortars and small arms being fired indiscriminately have been reported in areas controlled by fighters of Nusrah Front terrorist groups.

Provision of humanitarian aid to the population of the Syrian Arab Republic

Over the past 24 hours the Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic has carried out one humanitarian operation in Husayniyah, Dayr al-Zawr Governorate. Food with a total cargo weight of 1.3 tons was delivered to the local population.

In total, 1,778 humanitarian operations have been carried out.

The total weight of humanitarian cargo delivered is 2,500 tons.

Over the past 24 hours, medical assistance has been provided to 113 persons.

In total, medical assistance has been provided to 74,345 persons.

Reconciliation of opposing sides

No ceasefire agreements have been signed with populated areas over the past 24 hours.

The number of populated areas that have joined the reconciliation process is unchanged — it is still 2,436.

The number of armed groups that have announced their commitment to accepting and fulfilling the terms of the ceasefire is unchanged — it is still 234.